The CPWD have reported that inspections have been carried out, as and when necessary, to ensure quality. But no separate records of inspections have been maintained.

(f) checks are carried out by officers as per the provisions of the CPWD Manual.

Construction of Houses

4203. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many houses are targetted to be constructed during the 8th Five Year Plan, type-wise including Delhi;

(b) the number out of them which have so far been completed; and whether the target will be achieved at this rate;

(c) the steps taken to accelerate the pace of construction of the houses and

(d) the number of houses that were targetted to be constructed during the 7th Plan; typewise; and the number by which it felt short giving the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) The Eighth Five Year Plan document stipulates that about 65 lakh new dwelling units will be added during the 8th Plan period in the formal sector by State level agencies. The Ministry of Urban Affairs & Employment is responsible for monitoring item No. 14(d)-EWS housing and 14(e)-LIG housing under 20 Point programme.

The target and achievements in respect of EWS and LIG Housing during the first three years of the 8th Plan i.e. 1992-93 to 1994-95 are as follows:—

(Units in lakhs)

Year	Target		Achihvement		%age	
	EWS	LIG	EWS	LIG	EWS	LIG
1992-93	1.15	0.53	1.14	0.54	99%	102%
1993-94	0.83	0.45	1.23	0.59	147%	132%
1994-95	0.91	0.40	0.63	0.19	69%	47%

(c) The National Housing Policy aims to reduce houselessness in the country, through increased outlay in the 8th Plan and supplementing State Governments efforts with Central Sector Schemes.

(d) The target for construction of EWS/LIG housing during the 7th Plan was 7.75 lakhs and 1.39 lakhs respectively. Achievements against the target were to the extend of 6.90 and 1.66 lakhs respectively.

There was no shortfall in LIG Housing. However, lack of adequate plan provision for the schemes by the State Governments and constraints of resources such as land, institutional finance etc. accounted for slow progress of EWS housing schemes during the 7th Plan.